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By Facsimile

TO: Donald Nelson **DATE:** August 16, 1993
FROM: Lee Pollak CP
SUBJECT: U.S.T.R. Support of Tobacco Exports

Thank you for sending me copies of your August 10 profs notes to Buffy and Craig. As you know, Owen will be back from his vacation tomorrow and he will be available then to work on the presentation.

If the thrust on this issue is coming from the White House, it may be appropriate, after presenting our case to the office of the U.S.T.R., that we write directly to the President and enlist support from those in Congress who can most effectively present our position. In order to be able to move quickly, I have attached a draft of the type of letter which our Chairman might send to the President. If it is felt that the letter might better come from the Cigarette Export Association representing the American industry, the text will only need to be changed slightly.

I share your concern about this situation. We will need to discuss tactics but we must move effectively and quickly on this issue.

cc: W. Burrell, D. Dangoor, C. Fuller, K. Linehan, O. Smith, W. Webb

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